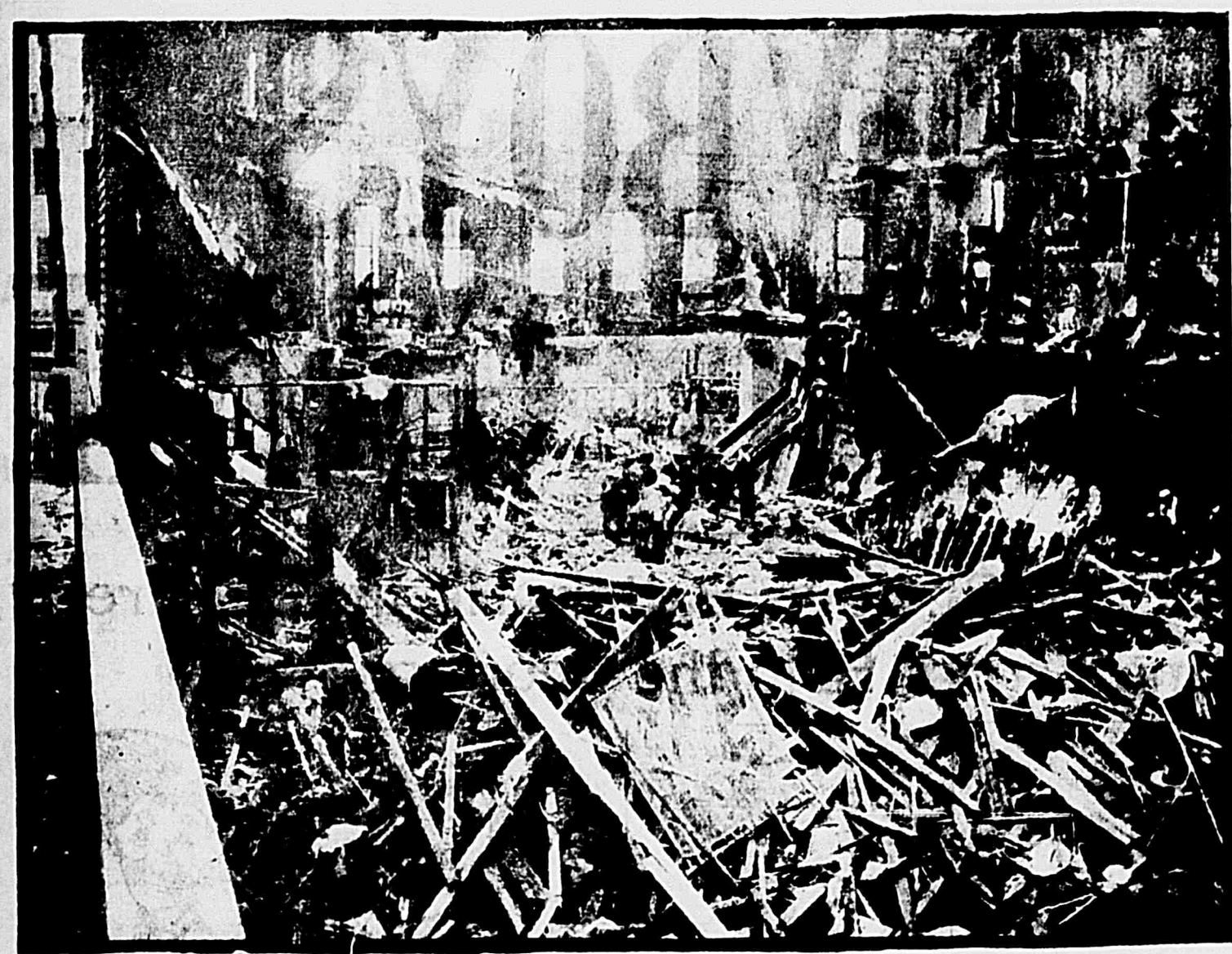


16 BODIES TAKEN FROM HOUSE WRECK.

KELLER TO BRING SUIT FOR SLANDER.



INTERIOR SCENE OF WRECKED TENEMENT.
(From a photograph taken to-day for the Evening World.)

Fireworks-Dealer Rittenberg Had Dynamite, Which Caused Explosion in Cellar of Tenement.

The Dead.
ADAMSON, Mrs. LUCINDA.
BAMBER, Mrs. Sarah B.
BAMBER, six-months-old child.
BURNS, Mrs. ANN.
BURNS, CLARENCE, six years old; found clasped in his mother's arms.
ELVIN, Mrs. ANDREW.
ELVIN, six weeks old. His mother kept the bakery.
RITTENBERG, HAROLD, eighteen months old, son of the man who stored the fireworks.
RITTENBERG, ANNIE, nine years old, his sister.
LANNICAN, Mrs. ANNIE.
WILLIAMS, CHARLES, a cripple, burned in his bed.
WILLIAMS, Mrs. CHARLES, burned while trying to save her husband.
ELVIN, JOSEPH, two weeks old.
FENTEMAN, Mrs. ANNIE.

WIFE ACCUSES CHURCH OFFICER

Mrs. Abbott Thought Husband Was Going to Meet a Woman.

W. M. Abbott, who Mrs. Abbott says is treasurer and one of the trustees of the Twelfth Street Presbyterian Church, manager of the New Jersey Baggage and Transfer Company at a salary of \$300 a year, and agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad, with an office in No. 125 River street, Hoboken, was arraigned before Magistrate Brann in Jefferson Market Court to-day on a charge of assault preferred by his wife.

From the statements made to Magistrate Brann by both Mr. and Mrs. Abbott, it seems that Mrs. Abbott followed her husband to his office in Hoboken this morning, as she was suspicious that he was to meet some woman there. Mr. Abbott left his office on an errand of his wife and boarded a ferry-boat for New York.

Mrs. Abbott was in close pursuit and boarded the same boat. The two had trouble on board the boat and when it arrived at the New York pier a deck-hand notified the policeman stationed at the ferryhouse, and on complaint of Mrs. Abbott placed Mr. Abbott under arrest. Mrs. Abbott claimed that her husband frequently treated her cruelly and had assaulted her on the ferry-boat.

Mr. Abbott denied the charge of assault and said that he was the party assaulted. He said that Mrs. Abbott followed him aboard the ferry-boat, and after making him drink champagne several times with her husband.

Magistrate Brann adjourned the case until Monday afternoon to give both parties a chance to get evidence of the trouble on the boat. Mr. Abbott was paroled on his own recognizance.

In speaking of her husband later Mrs. Abbott said that before she was married she had many admirers, but only one who had many admirers, and only one who would make a good husband.

After the trial, however, Mrs. Abbott said that she will never marry again, and that she will live with her husband for the rest of her life.



SEARCHING FOR THE VICTIMS.

SCHULMAN, NATHAN, thirty years old, of No. 11 Wooster street, New York.
SIMON, Mrs. HANNAH, sixty-five years old, mother-in-law of Rittenberg.

The police of Paterson are satisfied that dynamite caused the disastrous explosion in the store of Adolph M. Rittenberg, Nos. 48-50 Main street, yesterday, killing or injuring scores of people. Detective McElerny has learned that there were 16 pounds of dynamite stored on the premises. Rittenberg is presently under arrest. On Thursday night he stored 1600 worth of fireworks in the building, and today a quantity of dynamite cartridges were found in the ruins of the building.

The bodies of Nathan Schulman, of the candy store at 11 Wooster & Co., No. 11 Wooster street, in this city, and Mrs. Hannah Simon, the mother of Rittenberg, were taken from the ruins at about ten o'clock yesterday. Mrs. Simon was standing in the rear of the store at the time of the explosion, and was killed.

Near them were playing Annie and Harold, two of Rittenberg's children, both were killed.

The list of identified dead numbers sixteen, and two persons are missing whose bodies are thought to be in the ruins. Many who were seriously injured were taken to St. Joseph's Hospital, while more than a score, who were hurt by flying debris and glass, received comparatively slight injuries in the explosion, were taken to their homes.

Two boys, whose names are known, are said to be nephews of Mrs. Rittenberg, who was killed, and are supposed to be in the ruins. Conflicting evidence of the dynamite theory is furnished by Michael Tattler, a Russian, who was in the store at the time of the explosion. He was taken from the ruins of the building by the police, and when recovered, was lying on the floor about ten feet from the front door. He was wearing a white shirt and a white vest, and was holding a small object in his hand. He was found with a wound in his head, and was unable to speak.

When I recovered the second time, I was all covered with blood. I had shed no blood myself. Doubtless the blood was that of Mr. Schulman, who must have been blown all to pieces.

"I do not know for sure that there was dynamite in the store, but nothing but dynamite could have caused such an explosion. I suppose the box that fell

was loaded with dynamite and that the explosion was caused by the fireworks loaded with powder. It was not nearly so severe as the first one."

Prosecutor Eugene Hines conferred with the police today as to what steps should be taken. A rigorous investigation was made, and it was said that Rittenberg, the owner of the store, and William Walker, owner of the building, would be arrested.

The prosecutor, however, announced that no arrests would be made until after the bodies of the victims had been recovered.

The charge of homicide will be made, the prosecutor thought. Walker, it was said, was charged with seeing that the fireworks were put in the building. There is a law in Paterson compelling all tenement-houses and residences over three stories to be fitted with fire-escapes. Rittenberg was not in any of the burned houses. It is said that those who were burned in the upper floors could have been saved.

Rittenberg and Walker were both at the scene at this morning.

A second officer kept near them, and it was said that he was seeing that the two men did not leave town. "As if dynamite and nothing else caused the explosion. Action will be taken by the authorities of the city to see that the foreign population of Paterson and Passaic is kept in order. There is an ordinance in Paterson, New Jersey, forbidding the sale of dynamite in the city limits."

When Rittenberg returned from Paterson, he was found in a state of shock. He was taken to a hospital, and his friends are afraid the shock has affected him permanently.

STANDARD OIL LEAVES FIELD.

Support to Amalgamated Copper Said to Be Withdrawn.

An afternoon newspaper, which is close to Standard Oil interests, publishes to-day the fact that a report was abroad in Wall street that the Standard Oil Company was about to withdraw its support from the Amalgamated Copper Company.

The report says that two facts point to this decision. One is the public declaration of resignation of H. H. Rogers, President, and William A. Rockefeller, and the other is the election of Anthony R. Flower, of the stock brokerage firm of Flower & Co., to the Presidency of the same company.

When it was announced several days ago in the New Jersey court proceedings, by Vice-Chancellor Stephens, of counsel for the Amalgamated Company, that Messrs. Rogers, Rockefeller and Rockefeller had resigned offices, it was construed as merely a tactical move, rather a temporary expedient to meet the exigencies of legal complications.

The reason for this is the difficulty of forcing the Standard Oil Company to force the Amalgamated Company, through litigation instituted by Mr. Heinze, was thrown into the hands of the Amalgamated Company, which was formed not only to render the Houston and Montana Company assistance in its financial straits, but also to place the various copper interests then at odds.

To Proceed Against Mrs. Barker So that the Whole Story Will Be Laid Bare—Does So to Vindicate Himself.

The whole of the story which culminated in the shooting of the Rev. John Keller will soon be told. It is now almost certain that if the Arlington curate, seeking to vindicate his character, does not bring suit for slander against Thomas G. Barker and his wife, Mrs. Barker will bring a criminal action against her husband's blinded victim.

The friends of the curate and of the Barkers consider it best that the whole matter be ventilated.

Barker spent a restless night in the Hudson County Jail, and all that he had to say was an expression of his confidence that his lawyers would have the verdict set aside.

He has virtually begun, on the advice of his lawyers, to serve his time. He will be sentenced Thursday and transferred from Hudson County to Trenton and start to fulfill the penalty imposed by Judge Blair. In case the appeal for a new trial goes against him he will have the benefit of the time spent in prison.

Mrs. Barker, bewails the fact that she is the cause of her husband's misfortune.

"Even though my husband is behind bars he will be happier there than Keller will be at liberty. Every day that Tom is in jail will be a day of torture to that man, better if he has any conscience left at all."

Heavy-eyed and swollen featured, Mrs. Thomas G. Barker made this statement to-day at her boarding-house in Arlington. She had not slept through the night. Hour after hour the others in the house heard her weeping.

With a possible jail sentence of seven years hanging over her husband, the sense of defeat is not overwhelmingly in Mrs. Barker's breast. Her hopes are centered in an appeal and a new trial, in which her charges against the Rev. Keller will be admitted as evidence.

She has implicit belief that Judge Blair's conduct of the trial just ended will be reversed. So strong is her belief that the case will be retried, and the true motive of the shooting of the minister developed, that, though broken by the strain of the week and the disappointment of the outcome, she is sustained by the belief that her husband will yet be vindicated.

It has been decided that the Barker case will be appealed. Marshall Van Winkle, attorney for the convicted man, believes he can get a reversal in the Barker case.

Barker will not furnish bail. Under the Jersey law he must go to prison within ten days after sentence unless released on bail. It is believed he will go to jail once to begin with, and then, if the case is retried, he should go against him he would have the benefit of the period spent in prison. Should the verdict be reversed he would be instantly released.

Judge Blair, who presided at the trial, made a short statement to the Evening World reporter this morning.

"Although the trial may have seemed a little short, it was in reality a very simple trial of a case of assault and battery. It was a case of a man who was in a state of mind, and the verdict was in accordance with the evidence and the law."



BARKER AS HE APPEARED IN HIS CELL TO-DAY.

15,000 HORSES NOW HAVE GRIP.

Doctors Say the Epidemic Is Steadily Spreading.

According to the veterinary surgeons of New York the epidemic of "grip" from which probably by now 15,000 horses in the city are suffering, is increasing in alarming proportions.

The disease has taken on a new form in that it has spread to the intermaxillary space. This is considered very serious. Also, a small per cent. of the sick animals have been attacked with pneumonia.

Dr. E. J. McCaffrey, of the New York Veterinary Hospital, who has entire charge of the lower east and west sides for the hospital, stated that the disease was undoubtedly contagious and was spreading with a rapidity that is remarkable.

He says he has never seen a like disease in his twelve years' experience in this city. He also told of the new form, the intermaxillary abscess, which complicated the treatment of the disease very much. The only way, he said, to treat the "intermaxillary abscess" was to put a tube in the horse's mouth, which is a dangerous operation for unskilled hands.

Dr. McCaffrey has been busy night and day since the disease started. He says that a horse may feel all right in the morning and eat well, and in an hour or two may be very sick from the disease.

GENERAL ELECTRIC DEAL.

American Company Acquires British Thomson-Houston Concern.

It was officially announced yesterday that the General Electric Company has purchased the German and French share holdings in the British Thomson-Houston Company, Limited, of London, thereby giving the General Electric the controlling interest.

C. A. Coffin, President, Eugene Griffin, First Vice-President, and W. J. Clark, General Manager of the Foreign Department, General Electric Company, will be members of the British Thomson-Houston board, and the closest cooperation will exist between the two companies.

The Koch Consumption and Asthma Cure by Inhalation.

John Soelas, of 81 Amity street, Brooklyn, was a confirmed asthmatic. His disease, which for so many years had made him a sufferer, had asserted its dominion over him and he was in a bad way. He was a skeleton when he applied for the original Koch treatment at 48 W. 22d st., New York City, and he had to stop work. For many years he had been a slave to that short breath coughing and expectation, but after breathing those tiny vapors into his lungs was entirely cured, and can be seen at his home, at No. 81 Amity St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

TO BE MILITARY GOVERNOR.

Chaffee Will Divide with Taft Power in Philippines.

WASHINGTON, June 22.—Following the order issued yesterday making Judge Taft Civil Governor of the Philippines, an order has been issued naming Gen. Chaffee as Military Governor of the archipelago.

The military has been ordered to vacate the Antientia, the large public building which was erected out of the municipal funds of Manila for government purposes.

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TOOK "ROUGH ON RATS"

Kentucky Belle Ends Her Own Life.

(Special to the Evening World.)

FRANKFORT, Ky., June 22.—Miss Alice Erith Gibbs, the beautiful seventeen-year-old daughter of J. C. Gibbs, of Frankfort, committed suicide by taking rough on rats at her father's home in South Frankfort.

Miss Gibbs was an only daughter, and was attractive and accomplished. She was a graduate of Old Bedford Hill school, at Shelbyville, where her father lived until recently.

PRUDEN'S NEW JOB.

Will Be Paymaster in the Regular Army.

WASHINGTON, June 22.—Major Octavius L. Pruden, for many years assistant secretary to the President, will continue as paymaster in the regular army. For the present he will go on duty in the War Department.

CABINS ARE ARSENALS.

Georgia Seagoes Keep Firearms in Them.

(Special to the Evening World.)

ATLANTA, Ga., June 22.—Police made a raid on the house of James Erwin, one of the men held for the murder of Officer Debarry, and found four fully loaded revolvers and ammunition enough to hold a fort for a week.

The fact that seagoes make regular arsenals of their cabins is thus made so prominent it has led to a purpose to make a wholesale raid for firearms.

STATION HIT BY LIGHTNING.

Heavy Electrical Storm Visits Eastport, L. I., and Vicinity.

Last night during one of the heaviest thunder storms which ever visited that section of Long Island the station at Eastport, near Eastport, was struck by lightning and destroyed. The flames were discovered by Jacob Raxner, a farmer living in the vicinity, but before he and the neighbors could reach the spot the fire was beyond control.

A Freak Collector.

PHILADELPHIA, June 22.—F. A. J. Johnson, of this city, has in his freak collection six-legged cows, two-headed lambs, eight-legged pigs, four-winged chickens, sixteen-horned goats, two-tongued cat, three-horned ram and five-legged sheep.